

### **Abstract of the Disclosure**

It has been discovered that certain selected ethers of probucol, and their pharmaceutically acceptable salts or prodrugs, are useful for increasing circulating HDL cholesterol. These compounds may also improve HDL functionality by (a) increasing clearance of cholestryl esters, (b) increasing HDL-particle affinity for hepatic cell surface receptors or (c) increasing the half life of apoAI-HDL.